the rebels and other counter-revolutionaries. At a moment when I was deciding on necessary measures to cope with the rebellion, the British Consul-General sent a letter to my Government containing the following: (here he quoted the final paragraph in Mr. Bertram Giles' letter). In view of the diplomatic and financial support which successive British Governments have consistently given to the Counter-Revolution in China and of the'fact that my Government is to-day the sole centre of resistance to that Counter-Revolution, I am forced to conclude that the real object of this ultimatum is the destruction of my Government I have to protest in the strongest terms against this latest act of Imperialist intervention in the internal aSairs of China.

SUN VAX-SEN."

It is very interesting by way of contrast to read the cable despatched to the Diplomatic Body in Peking by the Speaker of the Kwangtung Provincial Assembly:—

"Dean, Diplomatic Corps, Peking.—Kindly request col-leagues convey to their respective Governments following:

The people of Kwangtung deeply appreciate the action of the Consular Corps in Canton warning Dr. Sun Yat-sen against his intended bombardment of their defenceless Capital. Dr. Sun Vat-sen's Kuomintang Government irregularly constituted has never been recognized at Home or abroad. Its recent work of devastation and oppression were afefo to that of jjirates and bandits in South China, against whom the British and naval authorities, especially at the request of Consular representatives of the Governments the interests of which were being affected, have been justified in taking all necessary steps. CHUNG SHING, Speaker, Kwangtung Provincial Assembly. "

On August 26, a Corps of Labour Volunteers— later known as the Red Anny—-was formally in-augurated, and it was understood to be Dr. Sun's intention to furnish them with the arms imported, and paid for by the Merchant Volunteers!

A Commission of Inquiry was set up in Canton

under Dr. Sun's authority, which, on September
6 recommended the release of the Hav_t but he
obstinately refused to part with the arms unless